

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 1397 - HB 1645**

March 21, 2001

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Adds coverage for a previous permanent mental disorder or condition resulting in permanent disability, in addition to present coverage for permanent and physical disability, through second injury fund if worker becomes permanently and totally disabled through subsequent injury.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$47,000**  
**\$5,000 One-Time**

Estimate assumes:

- an increase of an estimated 100 additional cases filed against the Second Injury Fund.
- the Department of Labor and Workforce Development would require one additional attorney position to defend the additional cases.
- the bill has no fiscal impact on the Claims Award Fund. The state workers' compensation program is self-insured pursuant to the Tennessee Claims Commission and, pursuant to TCA 9-8-307(a)(1)(K)(i), is specifically exempt from TCA 50-6-208.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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